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Construction work on the road bridges over the Oder River near Schwedt was resumed on 3 January 1955, somewhat earlier than was originally intended. A total of 15 men were employed on the German side of the bridges. This number is to be increased to a total of 80 men by May 1955. On the Polish side of the river, the substructure of the Oderstrom-Bridge was completed. Assembly work on the superstructure was under way day and night.

Comment. Highway No 166 crosses the valley of the Oder River between Schwedt and Niederkraenig on six bridges of which four were destroyed at the end of the war. Reconstruction work was started in 1953. The bridges are scheduled to be completed by late 1955. In view of the slow progress of reconstruction work, it is doubted that this target date will be met. The bridge over the Oder River proper is being rebuilt by the Poles.

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